



KCRNC Spring News & Updates

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An update on some recent KCRNC activities including upcoming funding opportunity and project updates!

2017 Canadian Kidney Cancer Forum

Close to 100 attendees at this year's CKCF 2017. It was the biggest yet! Co-chaired by **Alan So** and **Christian Kollmannsberger**.

This year's invited speakers included: **Thomas Powles** (UK), **Sumanta (Monty) Pal** (USA), **Hans Hammers** (USA), **Alex Kutikov** (USA). We also had Canadian experts including **Raymond Kim**, **Alex Wyatt**, **Patrick Cheung** and **Wes Kassouf**.

Topics ranged from: the future of immunotherapy and biomarkers, to discussing current landscape of Canadian surgical and medical kidney cancer trials. A lively debate took place between the role of SBRT and surgery for oligometastatic disease.



[Link to CKCF Video Recordings](#)

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Save the Date: CKCF 2018 - Feb 23-25, 2018

Inaugural KCRNC-KCC-CUASF Research Grants

These grants were funded by \$50,000 from Kidney Cancer Canada and \$50,000 from the Canadian Urological Scholarship Foundation, the remaining funds from KCRNC.

Congratulations to the following winners who were announced at CKCF 2017:

Investigators	Centre	Grant Title	Amount Awarded
A. Finelli, J. Moffat, K. Lawson, L. Ailles	Dept of Surgery (Urology) and Molecular Genetics, Univ of Toronto	Development of a novel immunotherapeutic bi-specific T-cell engager strategy for renal cell carcinoma	\$40,000.00
C. Kollmannsberger, L. Nappi	Vancouver Prostate Centre, Dept of Urological Services, Univ. of British Columbia	Identification of predictive biomarkers in patients with metastatic kidney cancer using circulating tumor DNA sequencing	\$49,963.00
A. Fairey, J. Rudzinski, J. Lewis	Dept of Oncology, Univ. of Alberta	Exploiting novel therapeutic targets to block metastasis of clear cell renal cell carcinoma	\$43,429.00

Call for applications: 2017-2018 KCRNC-CUOG Research Trainee Awards

During the month of May, research trainees who have an interest in kidney cancer research are invited to apply for the 2017-2018 \$15,000 trainee awards.

Applications start: May 11, 2017 (application will be sent by email to your inbox)
Due Date: June 2, 2017

Questions: ranjena.maloni@uhnresearch.ca

Good luck!

CKCis Update

Co-Chairs: **Rodney Breau** and **Naveen Basappa** are happy to announce that CKCis has reached the 8000 patient milestone! Congratulations to all involved.

We have 11 CKCis summer students this summer, which will help contribute to the data set and a trainee program planned. Some of the sessions are open to ALL urology research students. Contact ranjena.maloni@uhnresearch.ca if you would like your student to join in the online sessions.

SAVE THE DATE: CKCis Operations Committee Meeting: Sun. Jun 24, 2017 9:45-10:45am Westin(CUA)



Recent CKCis Publication:

First-line sunitinib or pazopanib in mRCC: The Canadian experience

A. Lalani, N.S Basappa, et al.

Can Urol Assoc J 2017;11(3-4):112-7.

James Lind Alliance Publication Update

Congratulations to **Jennifer Jones**, **Jaimin Bhatt**, **Jonathan Avery**, **Andreas Laupacis**, **Katherine Cowan**, **Naveen Basappa**, **Joan Basiuk**, **Christina Canil**, **Sohaib Al-Asaad**, **Daniel Heng**, **Lori Wood**, **Dawn Stacey**, **Christian Kollmannsberger** and **Michael A.S. Jewett** for their paper 'Setting Research Priorities for Kidney Cancer, being accepted to as an opinion article in European Urology.

Full manuscript has been submitted to CUAJ.

Kidney Cancer Clinical Research Trials

Updates on clinical trials being conducted in Canada are now located on the [Kidney Cancer website](#). The plan

is to update this information at least every 3 months.

Please let us know If you have a clinical trial (pharmaceutically-sponsored or investigator-initiated) opening at your centre by sending the information to [Ranjena Maloni](#).

Our goal is to keep the information current on the Kidney Cancer Canada website, and also have this information accessible to dinicians and researchers.

New KCRNC/CKCis website to launch this summer!

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